

CROSSING FERRY.

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When we part on this green isle, love— That for the eastern main; I for the setting sun love; When we meet again, I will be glad to see you.

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SHIP NEWS.

PORT OF ST. JOHN.

Dec. 11.—Str St Croix, Pike, from Boston, W G Lee, mds and pass. Sch Blomford, 12, Haines, from Boston, F Tuttle, bal.

Dec. 12.—Bark Westmorland, 605, Virginia, from Harvey Bank, Wm Thomson and Co, bal. Sch Lyra, 99, Evans, from Boston, A W Adams, bal.

Dec. 12.—Coastwise—Schs Harry Morris, McLean, from Quaco; Wood Bros, Newcom, from Parbro.

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The party consisted of Mr. B. Robertson and Corning, Yarr, Mr. Arch, Mr. Lawrence, Mr. Hissard of G. Wood, Charlott North Wilket Clark, Mr. S. F. Tilley, Mr. Sussex, and Mr. Borden.

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INNESHOVEN HEAD, Dec. 9.—Passed, str Numidian, from Portland for Liverpool. Dec. 10.—At Boothby, Dec. 10, strs Abbie Keck for New London; Genoa, Tay and Eilat, for all ports.

REPORTS. BANGOR, Me. Dec. 10.—Ard, tug Knickerbocker, from Boston, to tow bark Leonard to Backport. Dec. 10.—Ard, tug Knickerbocker, full of heavy ice and has been kept open since Sunday morning only by the aid of a tug.

NOTICE TO MARINERS. PORTLAND, Me., Dec. 10, 1900. (Frenchman's Bay, Maine.) Egg Rock Whistling Buoy, painted red, with "E. R." in black, established in July 1876, has been removed for the winter season.

ONTARIO MINERAL PRODUCTS.

TORONTO, Dec. 4.—According to a report issued by the Ontario bureau of mines, the total value of metal produced in this province for the first half of the present year was \$1,353,287, or two thirds as much as for the whole of last year.

BRITISH PORTS.

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MARRIAGES.

BETHEL-PARMER—At the home of the bride's parents, Dec. 10th, by the Rev. N. A. MacNeill, Judson Bettle and Annie Foster of Norton, Kings, N. B. HANSON-CARLISLE—At the Episcopal Church, Douglas, York Co., on Dec. 12th, by Rev. Canon Roberts, A. B. Hanson of Frederick and Marion Carlisle, daughter of Charles Carlisle of Douglas.

DEATHS.

BURPEE—Suddenly, in this city, on Dec. 11th, of heart failure, Emma Amella, beloved wife of Francis F. Burpee, aged 67 years. COUGHLAN—At his residence, Nelson, N. B., on Thursday, Dec. 8th, James Coughlan, aged 67 years.

DOMESTIC PORTS.

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